

## House Resolution No. 1520

**Whereas**, it is with tremendous admiration and respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge the stellar accomplishments of Show-Me State senior citizens; and

**Whereas**, Robert J. Wonnell of Clinton, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction for his volunteer work with American Red Cross Armed Forces Emergency Services in Henry, St. Clair, Bates, Hickory, and Vernon Counties; and

**Whereas**, serving the American Red Cross as Coordinator of Armed Forces Emergency Services, Robert Wonnell has been the only on-call, 24-hours-per-day, 7-days-per-week, unpaid volunteer for nearly two years; and

**Whereas**, Robert Wonnell also deserves commendation for his successful plan to provide the local Missouri Army National Guard unit with special recognition when the unit was activated in support of current Operation Iraqi Freedom, an endeavor for which he planned, organized, directed, coordinated, and communicated the welfare needs of soldiers as they prepared for their departure and for which he received the full support and encouragement of his beloved wife, Patricia M. Wonnell; and

**Whereas**, earlier in life Robert Wonnell was employed by the California Department of Corrections and the United States Air Force, government agencies from which he retired after long, honorable service; and

**Whereas**, in addition to his work with the American Red Cross Armed Forces Emergency Services and Disaster Services Human Resource function, Robert Wonnell is the Post Service Officer with Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1894; the Chairman of the Board for Clinton Rural Fire Protection, Incorporated; a Board Member of Boy Scout Troop 225; and the Communications Coordinator of the Henry County Emergency Management Agency:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join to acknowledge the stellar, ongoing contributions of Robert Wonnell to citizens residing in Clinton and the surrounding environs and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his willingness to remain an active participant and leader in society during what is often considered the leisure-filled days of retirement; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Robert J. Wonnell of Clinton, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Shannon Cooper  
District No. 120

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1520, adopted April 8, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker